

Childers Joins in New Bipartisan Push to Cut Congressional Pay

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Washington, DC – U.S. Rep. Travis Childers (MS-01) yesterday joined Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick (AZ-01) and a bipartisan group of his colleagues in urging Congress to reduce pay for Members by five percent. Childers, along with seven of his colleagues from both sides of the aisle, sent a letter asking House Legislative Branch Appropriations Subcommittee Chairwoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz (FL-20) and Ranking Member Robert Aderholt (AL-04) to include a congressional pay cut provision in the *Legislative Branch Appropriations Act of 2011*.

“On a daily basis, hard-working North Mississippi families have to make tough choices in order to balance their household budgets, and the federal government should operate no differently,” said Childers. “While Americans struggle to make ends meet during today’s tough times, Members of Congress can do their part to help get our fiscal house back in order by making the sacrifices necessary to pay down our deficit and restore a balanced budget.”

In the letter, Childers and his colleagues urged Wasserman Schultz and Aderholt to include Kirkpatrick’s *Taking Responsibility for Congressional Pay Act* in the Committee’s 2011 appropriations bill. A full list of co-sponsors of the can be found

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, and a copy of the letter to Chairwoman Wasserman Schultz and Ranking Member Aderholt is attached.

A pro-gun, pro-life Mississippian, Congressman Travis Childers (D-MS) represents the First Congressional District in North Mississippi. He is a member of the fiscally conservative Blue Dog Coalition and serves on the House Agriculture and Financial Services Committee. Congressman Childers co-chairs the reestablished bipartisan Congressional Rural Caucus and was appointed to the bipartisan Second Amendment Task Force. For more information, visit www.childers.house.gov

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